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In re Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 4993
Gary Karlin Michelson)	
Serial No.: 10/047,545)	Group Art Unit: 3772
Filed: January 16, 2002)	Examiner: Michael Brown
For: THREADED FRUSTO-CONICAL)	
INTERBODY SPINAL FUSION)	
IMPLANTS)	

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AMENDMENT

Prior to the further examination of the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are submitted:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.